

# PUGET SOUND

## National Estuary Program

### STORMWATER PARKS FOR WATER QUALITY AND HUMAN HEALTH

Stormwater parks create beautiful recreation spaces that also work to clean the waters of Puget Sound.

#### Planning for Stormwater Parks

The Stormwater Parks project will help communities improve water quality, support compact development, and bolster human health through:

- Learning lessons from already-built stormwater parks
- Identifying opportunities for stormwater park retrofits in the region
- Catalyzing the planning and development of new stormwater parks



### MULTIPLE BENEFITS

Water that runs off surfaces after a storm or even a light rain is the top contributor to pollution in streams, rivers, lakes, and Puget Sound. This pollution impacts salmon, orca, and other species.

As the region grows, we can create healthier communities by creating more parks and better managing stormwater runoff.



Madison Valley Stormwater Park in Seattle

### WHAT YOU CAN DO

Local governments and community members can work together to identify locations needing improved stormwater management and recreational facilities. This project will provide guidance and technical assistance in locating and planning for stormwater parks.

### ABOUT THE PUGET SOUND REGIONAL COUNCIL

PSRC is the regional planning organization for the central Puget Sound region. PSRC develops policies and coordinates decisions about growth, transportation, and economic development planning. PSRC is composed of over 80 jurisdictions, including all four counties, cities and towns, ports, state and local transportation agencies, and tribal governments within the region.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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